CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 3224

Chapter 127, Laws of 2008

60th Legislature 2008 Regular Session

COMMUTER RAIL SERVICES--STUDY

EFFECTIVE DATE: 06/12/08

Passed by the House February 19, 2008 Yeas 93 Nays 2

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 7, 2008 Yeas 49 Nays 0

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 3224** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER

BRAD OWEN

Chief Clerk

President of the Senate

Approved March 25, 2008, 11:15 a.m.

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CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Secretary of State State of Washington

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(originally sponsored by Representatives **By** House Transportation Loomis, Hunter, Sells, and Liias)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to a feasibility study on commuter rail services;
- 2 creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.
- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON: 3
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The regional transit authority serving 4 5 the Puget Sound region shall work in conjunction with the Puget Sound regional council to review existing studies and consider other relevant 6 7 information for the purpose of determining whether commuter rail 8 service between eastern Snohomish county and eastern King county, based on commuter needs, can be a meaningful component of the region's future 9 transportation system. A feasibility study must be conducted if the
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- initial review does not provide sufficient information to: 11 12
- (a) Assess how many riders might be attracted to commuter rail service in this region; 13
- (b) Identify and evaluate which locations would most benefit from 14 15 commuter rail service;
 - (c) Identify and evaluate potential station sites;
- 17 (d) Provide a general analysis of the ability of the existing rail 18 lines and sections to accommodate commuter rail service, the effect of

this service on existing and planned rail and freight operations, and an estimate of how tourism in the region might be affected;

- (e) Estimate costs for establishing a concurrent bicycle and pedestrian pathway along or near the Woodinville subdivision; and
- (f) Identify which portions of the existing railroad sections would be most beneficial and cost-effective to develop for commuter rail service.
- 8 (2) The authority and council shall submit a joint report on the 9 results of their initial review and any feasibility study to the 10 transportation committees of the house of representatives and senate by 11 February 1, 2009.
- 12 (3) This section expires December 31, 2009.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. If specific funding for the purposes of this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June 30, 2008, in the omnibus transportation appropriations act, this act is null and void.

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